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**ADDENDUM #1
Responses to Questions
MHCC-10-014**

**Provision of Consulting Services and Preparation of State-of-the-Science
Working Paper Regarding Public Reporting of CLABSI Outcome Data**

1. How extensive would you like this report to be?

The report should be responsive to the Procurement Specifications. Because public reporting of HAI data generally, and central line-associated blood stream infection (CLABSI) data specifically, is fairly new it is anticipated that the literature review will be focused on recent and readily available sources. A fairly small number of states have actually publicly reported hospital-specific CLABSI data. As a result, the review of state-level public reporting experience to date will necessarily be limited. The Commission will provide copies of any state-level reports required by the vendor that cannot be accessed via the Internet.

**2. Would it be similar to the 2008 Report on creating a system for
collecting and reporting HAIs?**

The 2008 Report was broader in scope than the report required under this procurement. The report required under this procurement addresses a single topic: public reporting of the central line-associated blood stream infection outcome measure. The earlier report referenced in the question addressed a number of topics, including a literature review on the range of potential HAI process and outcome measures, options for developing a data collecting and reporting system, and related implementation issues.

**3. How many hours would you expect to be dedicated to the report to meet
the MHCC's needs?**

The scope of work outlined in the Procurement Specifications combined with the expertise of the vendor in this area should provide the basis for estimating the number of hours required to complete the deliverables.